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SAY TRACTION MERGER DEAL IS ARRANGED

Brokers Declare Plans to Consolidate Suburban and Transit Companies Are Considered.

DIRECTORS DENY THE REPORT.

Action of Stockholders on Matter Said to Be Only Barrier That Prevents Consummation of Transfer.

The report was current among brokers and traders on Fourth street yesterday that a deal is again on for merging the Transit and Suburban companies.

On the other hand officials and directors of both companies deny that anything definite has been done. They admit the matter of consolidation has been on and on many times, but state that there is no deal being considered at this time.

FAVOR CASH TRADE. They are holding out for a cash purchase. The selling point, which controls most of the stock, is said to be in favor of the cash trade.

According to one broker, the overtures at this time are all on the side of the Suburban. The big holders of the shares appear anxious to have the Transit Company take the property.

MUSIC PROGRAMME FOR FUNERAL IN WILL Testament of Captain W. F. Norton, Eccentric Banker of Louisville Filed for Probate.

ORCHESTRA AT CREMATION. Asks Friends to Join in Drinking Toast at Intermission of Airs While Body Is Being Burned.

Watch Repairing and Cleaning. A feature of our business is high-class watch and clock repairing, which we execute quickly and at lowest possible prices for guaranteed work.

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FORTUNE FOR A RUNAWAY. Walter L. Chapman of Kansas City Heir to \$50,000.

Kansas City, Mo., May 22.—Walter L. Chapman, whose whereabouts is unknown, is heir to more than \$50,000 under the will, just probated, of his father, Doctor Andrew L. Chapman, a grandson of the poet Thomas Campbell.

Walter Chapman ran away from home thirty-five years ago on account of a school-boy love affair.

Every reader of The Republic should be interested in the guaranteed cure for Dyspepsia, Indigestion and Stomach Troubles offered by the Eucupesia Co. Much time and many experiments have been necessary to perfect this remedy.

COURT UPHOLDS THE PRESS. Kansas Judge Refuses to Prohibit It From Reporting Evidence.

Emporia, Kas., May 22.—In the District Court here to-day Judge Madden refused to grant a request made by Judge Thompson, counsel for the plaintiff in a note case, to restrain newspapers from reporting the evidence and allegations in the case before it should go to the jury.

THE STORY OF MRS. MAXWELL OF WAITSFIELD. "For over twenty years I was afflicted with rheumatism and, in addition to that, a trouble which only women can have."

THE NEW WESTBOLD SOLD TRAIN FROM NEW YORK TO ST. LOUIS IS TO BE KNOWN AND ADVERTISED AS "THE ST. LOUIS LIMITED."

Leave New York 9:55 a. m., arrive St. Louis 1:20 p. m.

RARE OLD BOOKS SOLD. New York, May 22.—A choice collection of rare books was sold in this city at auction last evening.

THE PICKWICK PAPERS. By Charles Dickens. First edition, London, 1836, 4s. 6d.

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CROP AND LABOR CONDITIONS INFLUENCE COMMERCIAL WORLD.

Unseasonably Hot Weather Stimulates Retail Trade in Wearing Apparel, but Has Most Unsatisfactory Effect on Vegetation.

New York, May 22.—R. G. Dun & Co.'s weekly review of trade will say:

Weather conditions and the labor situation are the dominant influences in the business world. Unseasonably high temperature at many points, especially in the East, stimulated retail trade in wearing apparel and other summer merchandise to an unusual degree, but had a most unsatisfactory effect upon vegetation, which was promptly reflected in diminished orders for supplies, and in some cases there were cancellations.

More conservatism was also shown at the interior, where agricultural progress met with check, and while no serious injury to the great staple crops is yet reported, the delay to planting induces caution among dealers.

On the whole there are fewer wage-earners voluntarily idle, yet the spirit of unrest has caused the abandonment of some new enterprises and has retarded the progress of others.

Advances of about 5 per cent in wide sheets of cotton goods have been made in the market, and in some cases there were cancellations.

Wheat, including flour, exports for the week ending May 21, aggregated 5,200,000 bushels, against 4,075,000 last week, last year 4,100,000.

Business failures in the United States for the week ending May 21, 1903, aggregated 152, against 132 last week, 132 in the like week of 1902, 132 in 1901, 132 in 1900, 132 in 1899, 132 in 1898, 132 in 1897, 132 in 1896, 132 in 1895, 132 in 1894, 132 in 1893, 132 in 1892, 132 in 1891, 132 in 1890, 132 in 1889, 132 in 1888, 132 in 1887, 132 in 1886, 132 in 1885, 132 in 1884, 132 in 1883, 132 in 1882, 132 in 1881, 132 in 1880, 132 in 1879, 132 in 1878, 132 in 1877, 132 in 1876, 132 in 1875, 132 in 1874, 132 in 1873, 132 in 1872, 132 in 1871, 132 in 1870, 132 in 1869, 132 in 1868, 132 in 1867, 132 in 1866, 132 in 1865, 132 in 1864, 132 in 1863, 132 in 1862, 132 in 1861, 132 in 1860, 132 in 1859, 132 in 1858, 132 in 1857, 132 in 1856, 132 in 1855, 132 in 1854, 132 in 1853, 132 in 1852, 132 in 1851, 132 in 1850, 132 in 1849, 132 in 1848, 132 in 1847, 132 in 1846, 132 in 1845, 132 in 1844, 132 in 1843, 132 in 1842, 132 in 1841, 132 in 1840, 132 in 1839, 132 in 1838, 132 in 1837, 132 in 1836, 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